

June 2009

Dear Middle School Students and families,

Have a wonderful vacation! Enjoy the long, leisurely days of summer!! I will look forward to seeing everyone in August and sharing stories of the summer. I am so happy to be able to spend next year with your favorite 6th, 7th, and/or 8th grade student. In addition to being the homeroom teacher for 6th grade, I will teach 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Language Arts and 6th and 7th grade Literature. We are going to have an exciting year!

While away from school, please take some time to read each day. 6th and 7th graders are asked to read a book each month and complete a Monthly Book Project for Literature. The June, July and August Book Projects are available on the GSCS website.

- ❖ June: please read and enjoy a non fiction book of your choice
and complete June Book Project
- ❖ July : please read and enjoy a fiction book of your choice
and complete July Book Project
- ❖ August please read the assigned book and complete August Book Project
6th: The Black Pearl
7th: Summer of My German Soldier

All three Book Projects are due on August 20. Please be prepared to discuss your August book.

I look forward to getting to know all of you, please let me introduce myself. My husband, Jeff, and I have 4 children, all of whom attended Good Shepherd Catholic School. Our older two sons, Greg and Peter, graduated from Palma Jr. High and High School. Greg graduated from Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles and works in the film industry. Peter graduated from University of California, Irvine and is employed in Orange County area. Our younger two, graduated from Good Shepherd and St Francis Central Coast Catholic High School; Stephen attends Cabrillo College and Elizabeth is attending Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo.

Please enjoy your summer and enjoy your reading! I hope you will share any questions and concerns with me. Once again, Middle School is a time of many changes, new events and fun! 2009-2010 will be a great year!!

Thank you,
Cathie Gabrio